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## NEWS RELEASE

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Date: April 25, 2005

Time: 4:00 p.m.

#### Animal Control Advisory

A skunk bit a local woman Thursday morning inside her residence as she stepped on it while closing a patio door. The door was partially ajar just after midnight when noticed by the resident. The homeowner's dog killed the skunk following the contact. Animal Control Officers were called to remove the animal from the residence. The skunk was sent to a laboratory for testing and reported positive for Rabies. The resident received medical attention immediately following the bite in reference prevention of this type incident. Officers advised this is an isolated incident, but would take steps by setting traps in the area of the home. Skunks are nocturnal animals that should not be seen during daylight. Animal Control Officers advised they will monitor the area anyone with questions should call 291-5645.